

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT TACOMA

ROBERT LOUGH,

Plaintiff,

v.

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT  
OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES,  
et al.,

Defendants.

CASE NO. 3:20-CV-05894-LK

ORDER REFERRING CASE TO  
MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR  
MEDIATION

This matter comes before the Court following appointment of pro bono counsel for Mr. Lough. *See* Dkt. Nos. 128–29. For the reasons discussed in its November 20, 2023 Order, the Court refers this case to United States Magistrate Judge Theresa L. Fricke for mediation in accordance with Local Civil Rule 39.1(c). Dkt. No. 125 at 4. Judge Fricke will issue an order in due course setting the date for mediation and providing any other instructions she deems necessary.

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1 This referral shall expire upon the conclusion of mediation.

2 Dated this 29th day of December, 2023.

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4 Lauren King  
5 United States District Judge